

COUNCIL OFFICES,

CHAPEL-EN-LE-FRITH.

# ANNUAL REPORT

## 1949

*To the Chairman and Members of the*

CHAPEL-EN-LE-FRITH RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL.

GENTLEMEN,

I have the honour to submit the Annual Report for the year 1949.

### Section A.—STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE AREA.

Total Area of the District is 103,775 acres.

Registrar-General's estimate of civilian population, 1949: 18,870.

Number of inhabited houses, including Pre-Fab. Bungalows (end of 1949), according to Rate Books: 5,775.

Rateable value of the District amounts to £258,477.

The sum represented by a penny rate is £1,030.

### VITAL STATISTICS.

						Male.	Female.
Live Births—Legitimate ...	...	...	...	...	259	136	123
„ „ —Illegitimate ...	...	...	...	...	10	3	7
TOTAL ...					269	139	130

Birth Rate per 1,000 of the estimated civilian population: 14.2.

„ „ (R.G. England and Wales), per 1,000 total population: 16.7.

Still Births—Legitimate ...	...	...	...	...	6	3	3
„ „ —Illegitimate ...	...	...	...	...	0	0	0

Rate per 1,000 (Live and Still) births: 21.8.

Deaths from all Causes ... 251 130 121

Death Rate per 1,000 of the estimated civilian population: 13.3.

„ „ (R.G. England and Wales), per 1,000 total population: 11.7.

There were no deaths from Puerperal causes during the year.

Rate per 1,000 total (live and still) births: 0.

Death Rates of Infants under one year of age:—

All Infants per 1,000 live births, 26.02 (R.G. England and Wales, 32).

Legitimate Infants per 1,000 legitimate live births, 26.2.

Illegitimate Infants per 1,000 illegitimate live births, 0.

These are represented by a total of 7 deaths: 6 males and 1 female; Legitimate, 7; Illegitimate, 0.

There was no death from Measles.

There was no death from Diphtheria, none from Whooping Cough, one from Diarrhoea under two years, and none from Scarlet Fever.

No unusual or excessive mortality occurred during the year.

No case of Small Pox has occurred.

**Section B.—GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES  
FOR THE AREA.**

**1. (i) PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICERS.**

Comprise:—

One Medical Officer of Health (Joint Appointment).

One Chief Sanitary Inspector and two additional qualified Inspectors.

This Department also deals with all new buildings, water supplies, sewage disposal, meat inspection, etc.

**(ii) (a) LABORATORY FACILITIES.**

All pathological and bacteriological investigations are conducted at Derby in the County Laboratories.

**(b) AMBULANCE FACILITIES.**

This Service is administered by the County Council.

**(c) NURSING IN THE HOME.**

No provision is made for home nursing of Infectious Diseases. In most instances cases are removed to the Isolation Hospital at Chinley.

**(d) CLINICS AND TREATMENT CENTRES.**

Maternity and Child Welfare Centres: 1 Chapel-en-le-Frith and 1 Hayfield.

Day Nurseries: None.

School Clinics: 1 Chinley.

Tuberculosis Dispensaries: Administered by Regional Hospital Board.

Treatment Centres for Venereal Diseases: None.

The Institution at Chinley is utilised by the County Council for school work.

**(e) HOSPITALS PROVIDED OR SUBSIDISED BY THE LOCAL  
AUTHORITY OR THE COUNTY COUNCIL.**

1. Tuberculosis: Administered by the Regional Hospital Board.
2. Maternity: None.
3. Children: None.
4. Fever: High Peak Hospital. This comes under the Regional Hospital Board and serves Chapel-en-le-Frith Rural, Whaley Bridge and New Mills Urban Districts, and any other area.
5. Small Pox: This is treated, when it arises, in an isolated part of the Hospital.
6. Other: None.

The following Hospitals outside the District are available:—

Manchester Royal Infirmary.

Salford Royal Infirmary.

Sheffield Royal Infirmary.

Stockport Royal Infirmary.

Jessop Hospital for Women, Sheffield.

Buxton and District Hospital.

Devonshire Royal Hospital, Buxton, for Rheumatism and Allied Diseases.

The County Council undertake the administration and investigation of cases of Puerperal Pyrexia.

No institutional provision for the care of mental defectives exists in the area.

Nursing Services are maintained by the County Council.

### **Section C.—SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA.**

#### **1. (i) WATER SUPPLY.**

The sources of supply are Upland Surface Water and Springs. Generally speaking, the larger communities are provided with a constant supply of excellent water from the reservoirs, not readily polluted. There are, however, parts of the District where water supply has caused much anxiety for many years.

##### **PEAK FOREST.**

In spite of many efforts, no progress has been made in improving the water supply of this village.

##### **WORMHILL, SMALLDALE WATER EXTENSION.**

700 lineal yards of 3 inch Main.

##### **BROUGH AND THORNHILL WATER SCHEME.**

770 lineal yards of 5 inch Main.

#### **(ii) DRAINAGE AND SEWERAGE.**

Sewerage Schemes exist in the following areas:—

**Bamford.**

**Castleton.**

**Chinley and Buxworth.**

**Chapel-en-le-Frith.**

**Dove Holes.**

**Hope.**

**Hayfield.**

##### **HOPE SEWERAGE, CASTLETON ROAD EXTENSION.**

270 lineal yards, 9 inch Pipes.

##### **CASTLETON HOUSING SITE.**

1,430 sq. yds. Road and Footpaths.

##### **HAYFIELD HOUSING SITE.**

1,760 sq. yds. Roads and Footpaths.

425 lineal yards, 9 inch and 6 inch Drains.

170 lineal yards, 3 inch Water Main.

#### **2. RIVERS AND STREAMS.**

**BLACKBROOK.** This flowing through Chapel-en-le-Frith, Chinley and Buxworth, and on whose banks are erected Bleaching and Dyeing Works, is liable to pollution by the effluents.

**RIVER GOYT.** Is similarly apt to be polluted.

#### **3. (i) CLOSET ACCOMMODATION.**

Constant endeavour is made to replace old insanitary types by the water carriage system.

4 Privies have been abolished during the year.

15 New Water Closets have been fixed.

1 Cesspool was repaired or cleansed.

(ii) **SCAVENGING.**

In the following Parishes Scavenging is carried out by the Council:—

Castleton.

Bamford.

Edale, Hope, Derwent, Brough, Shatton, Aston and Thornhill.

Chapel-en-le-Frith (including Dove Holes).

Chinley and Buxworth.

Hayfield.

Charlesworth.

All the refuse, whether from dustbins, ashpits, earth closets or privies, is removed to the tips.

(iii) **SANITARY INSPECTION OF THE AREA.**

205 Houses were inspected under the Housing Acts.

65 Informal Notices were served.

7 Statutory Notices were served.

48 Notices were complied with.

(iv) **SHOPS.**

It was not found necessary to take any proceedings under the provisions of the Shops Act, 1934.

(v) **SMOKE ABATEMENT.**

Nuisance from smoke has several times been discussed, but it was felt that interference was not justified.

A certain amount is inevitable in the industries of the neighbourhood, namely: lime burning.

(vi) **SWIMMING BATHS AND POOLS.**

There are three swimming baths in the area, all privately owned.

(vii) **ERADICATION OF BED-BUGS.**

No occasion has arisen for action to be taken by the Local Authority for the eradication of bed-bugs.

**4. SCHOOLS.**

The sanitary condition of the Schools is on the whole good.

Nineteen of the Schools in the area are provided with Water Closets. Nine have pails or privies.

**WATER.** With the exception of Brandside, King Sterndale and Peak Forest, all the Schools in the area have public supply.

Disinfection of Schools has been carried out in 36 instances.

**PREMISES AND OCCUPATIONS CONTROLLED BY BYE-LAWS AND REGULATIONS.**

There are no offensive trades.

There are no underground sleeping rooms.

**Section D.—HOUSING.**

The Sanitary Inspector acts also as Building Surveyor.

Number of new Houses for which plans were approved during the year: 14.



# I. INSPECTION OF DWELLING-HOUSES DURING THE YEAR: —

(1) (a) Total number of dwelling-houses inspected for housing defects (under Public Health or Housing Acts) ... ..	885
(b) Number of inspections made for the purpose ... ..	1,197

Fuller details found in reports of Sanitary Inspectors.

## Section E.—INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD.

### A. MILK SUPPLY.

Most of the milk produced in this area is sent to the larger towns, where it is examined by the authority to which it is consigned.

### B. MEAT AND OTHER FOODS.

(See reports of Sanitary Inspectors.)

### SLAUGHTERHOUSES.

Shortly after the commencement of the War the Ministry of Food decided to centralise the slaughter of animals for human consumption. All private slaughterhouses were thereupon closed and arrangements were made for killing in one establishment. It may well be that this foreshadows what many authorities have long advocated—the public abattoir wherein all meat will be prepared for food, and the imposition of heavy penalties for illegal slaughtering.

## Section F.—PREVALENCE OF, AND CONTROL OVER, INFECTIOUS AND OTHER DISEASES.

No cases of Malaria, Dysentery, or Trench Fever have been notified. No cases have occurred of locally contracted Anthrax or Psittacosis.

No case of Encephalitis Lethargica has occurred. There is no institutional treatment of after-cases of Encephalitis Lethargica.

The majority of Cases of Infectious Disease are removed to the Isolation Hospital.

There was no vaccination or re-vaccination under the Public Health Act, 1927. (Small Pox prevention.)

There are no facilities for the cleansing and disinfection of verminous persons.

Disinfection of premises or articles which have been exposed to infection is carried out systematically.

## NOTIFIABLE DISEASE (OTHER THAN TUBERCULOSIS) DURING THE YEAR 1949

Disease	Total Cases Notified	Admitted to Hospital	Total Deaths
Measles ... ..	44	0	0
Whooping Cough ... ..	46	0	0
Smallpox ... ..	0	0	0
Scarlet Fever ... ..	36	26	0
Diphtheria ... ..	1	1	0
Enteric Fever (including Paratyphoid)...	0	0	0
Puerperal Pyrexia ... ..	2	1	0
Pneumonia ... ..	4	0	5
Erysipelas ... ..	0	0	0
Ophthalmic Neonatorum ... ..	0	0	0
Encephalitis Lethargica ... ..	0	0	0
Dysentery ... ..	0	0	0
Acute Polio-myelitis ... ..	0	0	0
Cerebro-Spinal Meningitis ... ..	0	0	0
Acute Polio-Encephalitis ... ..	1	1	0

CASES OF NOTIFIABLE DISEASES AT VARYING AGES DURING 1949  
AGE GROUPS.

Disease	Under 1 year	1—	2—	3—	4—	5—	10—	15—	20—	35—	45—	60—	Total
Smallpox ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Nil
Scarlet Fever ...	—	1	2	3	2	20	6	1	1	—	—	—	36
Diphtheria ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1
Enteric Fever:	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Typhoid ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Nil
Para-typhoid ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Puerperal Pyrexia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	2
Pneumonia ...	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	4
Ophthalmia													
Neonatorum ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Nil
Cerebro Spinal													
Meningitis ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Nil
Erysipelas ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Nil
Measles ...	2	5	7	8	5	16	—	1	—	—	—	—	44
Whooping Cough	3	3	5	4	7	23	1	—	—	—	—	—	46
Acute Polio- mylitis ...	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Acute Polio- Encephalitis ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1

### CANCER.

In the Chapel-en-le-Frith Rural District the total number of deaths from Cancer is 37 (24 males and 13 females).

### BLINDNESS.

No action has been taken under section 176 of the Public Health Act, 1936, for the prevention of blindness or for the treatment of persons suffering from any disease or injury to the eyes.

### TUBERCULOSIS.

CASES OF TUBERCULOSIS NOTIFIED DURING THE YEAR 1949: 10 Pulmonary; 3 Non-Pulmonary.

### PUBLIC HEALTH REGULATIONS, 1925.

No occasion has arisen during the year to deal with any tubercular employee in the Milk Trade.

### PUBLIC HEALTH ACT, 1936 — SECTION 172.

No cases were removed to Hospital under this Section.

I have the honour to be,

Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

GEORGE COCHRANE.

M.A., M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H.

THE CLERK,  
RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL,  
CHAPEL-EN-LE-FRITH.

Chapel-en-le-Frith Rural District Council

# Surveyor's and Sanitary Inspector's Report

For the Year Ending December 31st, 1949

COUNCIL OFFICES,  
CHAPEL-EN-LE-FRITH.

## ANNUAL REPORT OF SANITARY INSPECTOR CHAPEL-EN-LE-FRITH SANITARY DISTRICT, 1949.

NAME OF INSPECTOR: T. DINSDALE.

AREA OF DISTRICT: 79,882 acres. ESTIMATED NO. OF HOUSES: 5,983.

NEW HOUSES ERECTED, 1949:

(a) By Local Authority, 8; (b) By Private Enterprise, 6.

	No. of Inspections made by San. Insp.	No. of Notices Served. Informal. Legal.	No. of Nuisances abated with or without Notice.
<b>CLOSETS AND ASHPITS.</b>			
Defective Privies, Pail Closets and Ash- pits (not for conversion) ... ..	9	2 —	4
Conversion of Privies into W.C.'s ...	8	2 —	4
„ „ Pail Closets into W.C.'s...	14	3 —	8
„ „ Privies into Pail Closets	5	1 —	2
Defective Water Closets ... ..	15	10 1	21
Provision of Additional Water Closets ...	4	— —	1
Provision of Portable Ashbins ... ..	52	28 1	27
Dirty Closets ... ..	3	1 —	1
<b>DRAINAGE—</b>			
No Disconnection of Waste Pipe ...	—	— —	—
Defective Waste Pipe, Traps, Inlets and Drains ... ..	32	10 —	10
Drains Obstructed ... ..	34	10 —	11
<b>OTHER DEFECTS.</b>			
Paving of Courts and Yards ... ..	6	1 —	2
Roofs, eaves-spouts and down-spouts ...	75	35 5	25
Sinks ... ..	18	9 —	6
Insufficient Ventilation ... ..	30	21 4	17
Windows ... ..	30	16 6	38
Dampness ... ..	25	26 2	29
Water in Cellars ... ..	7	1 —	2
Water Supply ... ..	141	53 —	66
Overcrowding ... ..	12	— —	—
Foul Condition of Houses ... ..	5	1 —	1
Offensive Accumulations ... ..	30	11 —	9
Animals improperly kept ... ..	6	1 —	1
Pigsties ... ..	12	4 —	4
Smoke Nuisances ... ..	—	— —	—
Urinals ... ..	8	— —	—
Nuisances not specified above ... ..	140	30 —	67
<b>TOTALS ...</b>	<b>721</b>	<b>276 19</b>	<b>356</b>

	No. on Register.	Inspections made.	Notices served.	Nuisances abated with or without Notice.
Dairies, Cowsheds and Milkshops ...	312	86	4	4
Bakehouses ... ..	5	6	—	—
Slaughterhouses ... ..	—	—	—	—
Offensive Trades ... ..	—	—	—	—
Common Lodging-houses ... ..	—	—	—	—
<b>TOTALS ...</b>	<b>317</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>

(Signed) T. DINSDALE.

**ANNUAL REPORT OF SANITARY INSPECTOR**  
**CHAPEL-EN-LE-FRITH SANITARY DISTRICT, 1949.**

NAME OF INSPECTOR: A. CLARKSON.

AREA OF DISTRICT: 23,893 a

ESTIMATED NO. OF HOUSES: 1,304.

NEW HOUSES ERECTED 1949:

(a) By Local Authority, Nil; (b) By Private Enterprise, Nil.

	No. of Inspections made by San. Insp.	No. of Notices Served. Informal.	Legal.	No. of Nuisances abated with or without Notice.
<b>CLOSETS AND ASHPITS.</b>				
Defective Privies, Pail Closets and Ash- pits (not for conversion) ... ..	13	3	—	3
Conversion of Privies into W.C.'s ...	—	—	—	—
"    "    Pail Closets into W.C.'s	3	—	—	3
"    "    Privies into Pail Closets...	4	—	—	2
Defective Water Closets ... ..	5	—	—	5
Provision of Additional Water Closets...	19	3	—	2
Provision of Portable Ashbins ... ..	9	4	—	9
Dirty Closets ... ..	—	—	—	—

**DRAINAGE.**

No Disconnection of Waste Pipe ...	—	—	—	—
Defective Waste Pipe, Traps, Inlets and Drains ... ..	80	7	—	7
Drains obstructed ... ..	70	6	—	76

**OTHER DEFECTS.**

Paving of Courts and Yards ... ..	—	—	—	—
Roofs, eaves-spouts and downspouts ...	17	4	—	3
Sinks ... ..	—	—	—	—
Insufficient Ventilation ... ..	2	2	—	2
Windows ... ..	2	2	—	2
Dampness ... ..	9	—	—	9
Water in Cellars ... ..	1	—	—	1
Water Supply ... ..	115	17	—	51
Overcrowding ... ..	4	—	—	—
Foul Condition of Houses ... ..	5	—	—	5
Offensive Accumulations ... ..	3	1	—	1
Animals improperly kept ... ..	6	—	—	1
Pigsties ... ..	4	—	—	—
Smoke Nuisances ... ..	1	—	—	—
Urinals ... ..	1	—	—	—
Nuisances not specified above ... ..	119	24	—	44
TOTALS ...	492	73	—	226

	No. on Register.	Inspections made.	Notices served.	Nuisances abated with or without Notice.
Dairies, Cowsheds and Milkshops ...	81	24	—	3
Bakehouses ... ..	6	8	—	4
Slaughterhouses ... ..	—	—	—	—
Offensive Trades ... ..	—	—	—	—
Common Lodging-houses ... ..	—	—	—	—
TOTALS ...	87	32	—	7

(Signed) A. CLARKSON.




# MEAT INSPECTED DURING THE YEAR 1949.

Beasts	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	400
Sheep	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1215
Calves	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	41
Pigs	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7
TOTAL ...										1663

## MEAT CONDEMNED.

Carcases and all Offal	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7
Part Hindquarters	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Sirloin	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3
Ribs	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Mesenteries	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	88
Udders	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	12
Heads	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	38
Livers	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	98
Lungs	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	78
Part Livers	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	88
Spleens	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	8
Diaphragms	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	8
Kidneys	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5
Hearts	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5
Tripes	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Sheeps Forequarter	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Sheeps Liver	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	18
Sheeps Pluck	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6
Sheeps Head	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Sheeps Shoulder and Neck	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Pigs Head	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Corned Beef	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	34½ lbs.

A. CLARKSON.



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